

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 2867

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public buildings and works;
8 defining term; authorizing certain political
9 subdivisions to utilize design-build as a project
10 delivery method for certain water supply and
11 wastewater projects; requiring the promulgation of
12 rules by a certain date to implement certain process;
13 authorizing certain pilot projects during certain
14 period; limiting number of pilot projects;
15 authorizing the use of certain information for
16 certain purpose; providing for codification;
17 providing an effective date; and declaring an
18 emergency.

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

20 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
21 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 220.1 of Title 61, unless there
22 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

23 A. For purposes of this section, the term "design-build" means
24 a project delivery method in which one entity works under a single
contract with the project owner to provide design and construction
services.

B. Any conservancy district formed pursuant to Section 541 of
Title 82 of the Oklahoma Statutes, municipality, county, public

1 trust, and any other political subdivision in this state that
2 operates a public water supply system or wastewater treatment or
3 collection system is authorized to utilize design-build as a project
4 delivery method for public water supply and wastewater treatment
5 facilities and wastewater collection systems.

6 C. No later than November 1, 2022, the Oklahoma Department of
7 Environmental Quality shall promulgate rules to implement a flexible
8 permitting process to allow the utilization by entities identified
9 in subsection B of the design-build project delivery method for
10 public water supply and wastewater treatment facilities and
11 wastewater collection systems.

12 D. After the effective date of this act and prior to the
13 completion of the rules promulgation process required pursuant to
14 subsection C of this act, the Department of Environmental Quality
15 may authorize no more than five (5) pilot projects in which entities
16 identified in subsection B utilize the design-build project delivery
17 method for public water supply and wastewater treatment facilities
18 and wastewater collection systems, so that the Department may
19 utilize information learned from the pilot projects to inform the
20 Department's promulgation of rules.

21 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2021.

22 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
23 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby
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1 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and
2 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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